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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

OYENIYI OWOADE, R.N. LICENSE NO. 26NR10917300

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

The New Jersey State Board of Nursing is charged with the duty and responsibility of regulating the practice of nursing in the State of New Jersey pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act, N.J.S.A. 45:11-1 et seq. and regulations set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:37-14.1 et seq.

Oyeniyi Owoade ("Respondent") holds New Jersey license 26NR10917300 as a Registered Nurse with the Board. Respondent is employed by Branford Staffing/Branford Institute ("Branford") in Elizabeth, New Jersey as a Registered Nurse. Beginning with Branford's initial Board registration, filed on April 13, 2006, and for every subsequent year thereafter, Respondent was identified by Branford as its Director of Nursing and as its Nursing Supervisor.

Through its investigation, the Board has determined that while serving as Branford's Director of Nursing and as Branford's Nursing Supervisor, Respondent engaged in multiple violations of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h), including N.J.A.C. 13:45B-13 and N.J.A.C. 13:45B-14 by misrepresenting his credentials; permitting uncertified aides to render personal care to clients requiring assistance with activities of daily living; failing to establish such practice and procedures as may be necessary to assure the agency's compliance under statutes and regulation; and failing to fulfill the duties of Director of Nursing.

Given the above, the Board finds that Respondent engaged in multiple acts of professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and/or has violated the statutes and/or regulations governing the practice of nursing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

The parties being desirous of resolving this matter, and the Board, being satisfied that entry of the within Order obviates the need for formal proceedings, and being further satisfied that the within disposition is adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for good cause shown

IT IS, therefore, ON THIS $\frac{28\%}{\text{day}}$ of $\frac{1}{3}$, 2013, ORDERED and AGREED that:

1. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey shall be suspended for a period of two years effective upon entry of the within Consent Order. One (1) year of the suspension shall be active and Respondent shall cease and desist in the practice of nursing within ten (10) days of his receipt of a filed copy of this Consent Order. The remaining

one year shall be stayed and served as a period of probation, provided that Respondent demonstrates compliance with all terms and conditions of the within Consent Order. No credit shall be granted toward the active period of suspension for any period during which Respondent is practicing any type of nursing in any other jurisdiction or country.

- 2. Respondent is assessed an aggregate civil penalty of \$5,000 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25 for the violations described herein. Payment shall be made by money order or other certified funds payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, and forwarded to the attention of George Hebert, Executive Director of the Board of Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, P.O. Box 45027, Newark, NJ, 07101.
- 3. Respondent shall reimburse the Board's investigative costs and fees totaling \$22,627.80 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25(d). The payment of said costs and fees shall be suspended provided that Respondent complies with the terms of this Consent Order and the rules and regulations governing the practice of nursing in the State of New Jersey.
- 4. Respondent shall enroll in and successfully complete Board-approved educational courses in ethics, professional accountability and delegation. Successful completion means that Respondent attended all sessions of the courses, fully participated in the courses, and received a final evaluation of an unconditional pass in the courses. The Board further requests that Respondent submit to the Board written verification that Respondent satisfactorily completed all recommendations by submitting a certificate of completion, completed workbook and attendance record for each course.
- 5. The Board shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Order. Upon receipt of any reliable information indicating that Respondent has violated any term of this Order, the

Board reserves the right to bring further disciplinary action.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN, FAAN,

President

I have read and understood the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms.

Oyeniyi Owoade, R.N.

I hereby consent to the form and entry of this Order.

MeLinda H. Taylor, Esq.

Date: 627-13